

Wilson

# I. HISTORIAN'S REPORT OF THE WOMAN'S CLUB OF ARCADIA ,CALIF. 1956-57.

As the sun cast's it's last shadows over the club year of 1956-57, one cannot help admiring in retrospect. To these women who gave of themselves to attain the high record for this club year , we pause to salute and pay tribute . May their achievements serve as a stimulant to their successors for even greater achievements , thereby keeping the faith of the women who pioneered this organization . A great Pulitzer Prize Historian ( Bruce Catton) and author of " This Hallowed Ground " told the incident in the tragic and devoted life of Gen. Robert E. Lee , which I feel reflects in a great measure the endeavors of the top eschelon material in the club this year. The Gen. was asked to say a few words at the christening of a friends child, a word which would guide him daily through life, his answer summed up the creed which had borne him through strife and suffering to a place great in American legend. " Teach him " , he said simply " to deny himself ". So , to realize when one is President of an organization , a great deal is going to be demanded of you . The club offers many rich opportunities, but above all else it offers a struggle to coordinate the many functions and activities . When we as club-women undertake the stupendous tasks from the Presidency to the other offices , it needs be with God's guidance. We rely on a power above and beyond ourselves, without which no truly great deeds are accomplished.

Supported by an efficient Board , thirteen Federation Chairmen, plus strong committees, our President was well qualified to represent us at all Civic meetings, in addition to all of her District and State meetings. She attended both " The Woman Of The Year " and "The Man Of The Year " meetings, The Red Cross Reception , The Republican Club and " Friends Of The Library Reception " The Birthday Party of The Business and Professional Club, also as head of our Club she represented us at The Annual Flower Show Luncheon . She sent over two dozen personal cards of sympathy, attended six funerals, made thirty personal calls . All open meetings of The Junior Womans Club were attended. A beautiful installation was given by her to the incoming officers of the Departments. The scholarship offered to a High School student by our club this year was awarded at a public meeting by her to the student judged to be the winner , Troy Lemon . In each instance she represented our club in a dignified and gracious manner, not as an individual , but as a representative of over three hundred club-women, thereby winning the District Award of Merit for outstanding work.

An all time high budgett was approved by the membership at the first business meeting of the year, a \$ 9, 730.00 budgett, which included the twelve payments on the Loan incurred by the club two years previously, plus interest which amounts to \$ I, 272. 84 . The Ways and Means Chairman Mrs. N. E. Stadig also had an all time high figure to raise, \$ I200.00 . This magnificent job was accomplished by a beautiful Fashion Tea which netted \$ 345. 40, A Bridge and Canasta Round Robin , netting \$ 619.50, A Bridge and Canasta Dinner which netted \$80. 35, A White Elephant Sale plus The Clock Donation's \$97.65, District Workshop Luncheon \$84.84 , Net Total \$ I227. 74.

The Club Philanthropy totaled \$I, 002.25 plus the \$I000.00 raised by the Long Department for The Methodist Hospital, plus \$421.39 raised by these wonderful girls, and spent on various projects itemized later on in the on Departments.

Ray Allen Young, Philanthropy Chairman reported as follows---

State -----	\$70.00	-----	Arcadia Heart Asso.	20.00
reg(4 groups)	20.00		Methodist Hospital	50.00
La Children's Guild	20.00		plus a Presidents charity	25.00
Palsy Fund	20.00		( set up in committee )	
y Chest	25.00		Scholarship	500.00
ity of Hope)	25.00		San Gabriel Valley Junior	
Children's Party	II.25		Symphony Asso.	50.00
s(4 groups )	20.00			